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DENTAL HYGIENE – JURISPRUDENCE EXAMINATION - 2008

The successful completion of this examination fulfills the Jurisprudence requirements for the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners for Dental Hygienists. This examination is **open** book.

SECTION ONE – TWO POINTS FOR EACH QUESTION. CIRCLE THOSE SERVICES WHICH ARE LEGALLY WITHIN THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF A DENTAL HYGIENIST IN MARYLAND.

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| A. Place or remove an arch wire | S. Etch teeth |
| B. Perform curettage | T. Perform a preliminary dental exam |
| C. Fabricate bleaching, fluoride and impression trays on models | U. Remove sutures |
| D. Apply topical anesthesia | V. Place an original periodontal dressing |
| E. Place and remove retraction cord | W. Prepare and fit stainless steel crowns |
| F. Perform brush biopsy | X. Apply pit and fissure sealants |
| G. Administer nitrous oxide | Y. Expose radiographs |
| H. Take alginate impressions for study models or diagnostic casts | |
| I. Apply bonding agent | |
| J. Place or remove cemented or bonded orthodontic bands and attachments | |
| K. Perform vitality tests | |
| L. Cement permanent crowns | |
| M. Adjust the occlusion of a natural tooth, restoration, or appliance - intraorally | |
| N. Apply and remove a socket dressing | |
| O. Use high speed hand piece- intraorally | |
| P. Construct athletic mouth guards on models | |
| Q. Remove a temporary restoration - intracoronal | |
| R. Administer local anesthesia | |

SECTION TWO - FIVE POINTS FOR EACH QUESTION. CIRCLE LETTER NEXT TO THE CORRECT ANSWER. EACH QUESTION HAS ONE CORRECT ANSWER.

- 1. Sexual misconduct of either a verbal or physical nature includes but is not limited to:**
 - a. Requesting sexual favors of a patient
 - b. Touching a patient in a sexual manner
 - c. Verbal conduct of a sexual nature while treating a patient
 - d. All of the above
 - e. Answers a. and b. only

- 2. Dental hygienists in the State of Maryland may perform dental hygiene services under general supervision in a private dental office with the permission of the supervising dentist if:**
 - a. The dental hygienist has at least 1,200 hours of dental hygiene clinical practice in direct patient care
 - b. Treatments authorized by the supervising dentist to be provided by the dental hygienist are rendered no later than 6 months from the date the patient was examined and evaluated by the supervising dentist
 - c. There is a written agreement between the supervising dentist and the dental hygienist that clearly sets forth the terms and conditions under which the dental hygienist may practice, including a statement that the dental hygienist may provide dental hygiene services without the supervising dentist on the premises
 - d. The number of unsupervised clinical hours worked by a supervised dental hygienist in any given calendar week is less than 50 percent of the dental hygienist's total hours
 - e. All of the above

- 3. Dental hygienists may be disciplined by the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners for:**
 - a. Failing to display a copy of his/her license and renewal certificates
 - b. Willfully making or filing a false report or record in the practice of dental hygiene
 - c. Having been convicted of or having pled guilty or nolo contendere to a felony or to a crime involving moral turpitude, whether or not any appeal or other proceeding is pending to have the conviction or please set aside
 - d. All of the above

- 4. In the office where you are employed as a dental hygienist, a dentist requests that you perform a procedure that is unlawful for a dental hygienist to perform in Maryland; however, you perform the requested procedure as directed by the dentist:**
 - a. Your license to practice dental hygiene may be subject to disciplinary action by the Board
 - b. Your license to practice dental hygiene is not subject to disciplinary action by the Board since you performed the procedure as directed by a dentist
 - c. Only the dentist's license is subject to disciplinary action by the Board
 - d. Answers b. and c. only

- e. All of the above

5. A Dental Hygienist Rehabilitation Committee:

- a. Is a committee of the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners
- b. Has its members appointed by the Maryland State Board of Dental Examiners
- c. Evaluates and provides assistance to any dental hygienist in need of treatment and rehabilitation for alcoholism, drug abuse, chemical dependency, or other physical, emotional, or mental condition
- d. None of the above
- e. All of the above

6. An individual holding an expired general license to practice dental hygiene may apply for reinstatement if the individual:

- a. Submits to the Board notarized affidavits, or other evidence satisfactory to the Board, that the applicant has actively practiced dental hygiene within the 3 years immediately preceding the date of application for reinstatement
- b. Submits to the Board satisfactory proof of licensure and good standing from all states in which the applicant is currently licensed
- c. Submits to the Board an application for reinstatement on a form provided by the Board
- d. All of the above

7. Dental hygienist in the State of Maryland may perform dental hygiene services under general supervision in a facility that has been granted a waiver of supervision if the dental hygienist:

- a. Holds an active license to practice dental hygiene in Maryland
- b. Holds a current certificate of Health Care Provider Level C Proficiency in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
- c. Have at least 2 years experience in direct patient care in the active clinical practice of dental hygiene
- d. Holds a current certificate from a Board approved sponsor indicating successful completion of at least 8 hours duration on the treatment of the elderly and disabled in a dental health care setting
- e. All of the above
- f. Answers a., b., and c. only

8. A dental hygienist who holds an inactive Maryland dental hygiene license may:

- a. Not practice dental hygiene in Maryland
- b. Practice dental hygiene in a facility in Maryland that is owned by the federal, State, or local government
- c. Practice dental hygiene in a private dental office if the dental hygienist's practice is limited to 10 hours or less of dental hygiene services in any 7 consecutive day period
- d. Answers b. and c. only

9. A licensee must complete _____ hours of continuing education in order to renew a dental hygiene license for a two-year period.

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| a. 12 hours | c. 25 hours |
| b. 15 hours | d. 30 hours |

10. The following intraoral functions may not be performed in the practice of dental hygiene.

- a. Diagnosis
- b. Cavity Repair
- c. Tooth placement correction
- d. Condensing, carving, or finishing any restoration
- e. All of the above
- f. Answers a. and b. only

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